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Clarence "Lee" Price Named Director of Mental Retardation Services

Richmond- Commissioner James S. Reinhard, M.D., announced today that Clarence Lee Price has been hired as the Director for Mental Retardation Services, a vital position that supervises the Office of Mental Retardation Services at Virginia's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services (DMHMRSAS). "Mr. Price has a history of demonstrated leadership in the field of mental retardation in Virginia's public and private sectors. Mr. Price brings valuable leadership at a time when Virginia is expanding its waiver service capacity to individuals residing in community settings across the Commonwealth." said Dr. Reinhard.

Mr. Price has most recently served as the Richmond Division Manager for Community Residences, Inc. in Arlington. Previous to this position, Mr. Price worked as the Director of Mental Retardation Services for Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board. From 1979 to 1993, he worked as the Director of Camp Baker Services for the Richmond Area Association for Retarded Citizens, and he served as the Director of the Chesterfield County Occupational Center for the Chesterfield Community Services Board from 1974 to 1979. Mr. Price has also held Adjunct Faculty positions at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

Frank Tetrick, Assistant Commissioner for the Division of Community Services at DMHMRSAS, also welcomes Mr. Price to the DMHMRSAS. "Mr. Price has a demonstrated ability for successfully developing and expanding services systems. His work at Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board, where he tripled the number of clients served, attests to his skills for maximizing service system capacity. I welcome such a visionary thinker during this pivotal transformation in restructuring Virginia's services systems."

Mr. Price holds a Masters degree in Rehabilitation Counseling from Virginia Commonwealth University. He will begin work at the Department on June 10, 2004.